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M. E. SOCIETY HOLDS BANQUET AT CITY CLUB

Accepts Institute Committee's Plans--Affiliated With The A. S. M. E.

The Mechanical Engineering Society, at its banquet held last evening at the Boston City Club, accepted the following amendment to its constitution:

"This organization hereby gives authority to the Institute Committee to enforce any measures which the latter deem necessary."

Thirty-one members favored the amendment while six opposed. A lengthy discussion preceded its adoption, since no other professional society has as yet acted upon the proposal.

The returns of the ballots for the election of the various officers of the organization showed the returns to be as follows: Marell Mackenzie 1911, elected chairman; A. C. Brown 1912, vice chairman; F. Russell 1911, secretary; H. S. Lord 1911, treasurer, and D. P. Allen 1911, H. S. Smith 1911 and A. F. Kenrick 1912, make up the executive committee.

The banquet proved to be a very enjoyable affair. About forty-five members attended and imbibed the advice of three prominent men of the world, suggested in their after dinner speeches. Prof. Lanza, head of the mechanical engineering department at the Institute, explained the real meaning of the recent affiliation of the M. E. Society with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The latter society was formed for several purposes. A student, when graduated from a technical school is anxious in regard to what he shall do. He cannot isolate himself from the rest of the mechanical world, he must mingle with men who are similarly situated; he must mingle with successful men of his vocation and must understand the things which are happening in his line. The A. S. M. E. offers these advantages and hence a member of this society has broader relations with his profession than otherwise. A mere recognition in their catalogue, however, is not sufficient for these advantages. Its various opportunities must be seized. This is accomplished by reading their journals and attending their meetings, thus forming friendships and connections which deal with the immediate future. Institute members of the M. E. Society may attend their meetings in Boston and New York.

Col. Locke 1886, a member of the Institute Corporation and President of the N. M. C. U., spoke upon the idea of people at large in respect to quality or quantity. The business world today is intoxicated with success and has too little consideration for quality. The phrase "how good" should supplant "how much." A maxim suggested by him is to do the job a little better than your boss expects. Men fulfilling positions must be able to run the "human machine," thereby making it necessary for young men to mix up and deal with men; to learn human nature. Col. Locke commended ardently the talks on various lines of salesmen's trips given to the Tech students at the Union.

Mr. C. C. Pierce, 1886, connected with the railway department of the General Electric Company, demonstrated the necessity of originality and individuality as well as personality, in the business world. Technology teaches all three of these traits, nevertheless, a graduate of Technology is necessarily better equipped to meet a position than an undergraduate who has failed to get his degree. Graduation is the starting

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COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY RELAY CARNIVAL

Technology Will Send Team To Madison Square On Saturday

Technology's one-mile relay team will go to New York Saturday, March 12, to run in the relay carnival of Columbia University. The Institute team will be W. C. Salisbury 1911, Capt. L. O. Mills, H. Lockett and P. D. White. All the men on the team will probably run in the dashes.

Major Benson has not received word as yet of the teams which compose the five to run against Tech. The team was in with Harvard, Brown, Amherst, Wesleyan and Johns Hopkins last year, and will probably be in the same class this. The track at New York has no corners and proved the undoing of the team last March. Karl Fernstrom 1910, was accidentally tripped while taking the turn and the other Institute men could not make up the lost distance.

COURSE IV NEWS

At a meeting of the Architectural Society on Monday afternoon it was voted to adopt the amendment to the constitution proposed at the last meeting, namely—"This society hereby gives authority to the Institute Committee to enforce any measures which the latter deems necessary, provided, however, that they do not conflict with the constitution of this Society. There was considerable opposition.

Considerable discussion was aroused by the proposal that the society send a representative to New York to meet with representatives from four of the leading Architectural Schools, to attempt to secure a united action among the schools in the matter of forming an intercollegiate association. The feeling that something of this sort is needed is quite general in the different schools, and practically the only difficulty encountered so far is that of deciding whether to form an entirely new intercollegiate association or to join the Architectural League of America. The quickest and most satisfactory way of settling this question would be to have representatives from the different societies get together and agree on one plan or the other. Harvard has already appointed its representative; Pennsylvania, who thus far has taken the lead in the matter, will undoubtedly do so very soon; Columbia is on the grounds and will surely have a representative there; Cornell has shown its desire to form an intercollegiate association and will also be represented without doubt; but the "Tech Society," the oldest and largest of them all, has refused to send a delegate. It looks now as if the other colleges would settle the matter to suit themselves, leaving the Tech Society to meekly follow suit or to stay out in the cold.

In an interview given the Yale News, former President Eliot of Harvard speaks as follows concerning the politics:

"It seems to be perfectly obvious that the college graduates raise the general tone and temper of political action, the reason being that a prolonged education, as a rule, increases the recipient's sense of honor, sense of public duty, and desire to be serviceable."

IMPORTANT MEETING OF T. C. A. TONIGHT

To Ratify Constitution And To Organize Permanent Mem- bership

This evening at six o'clock the Technology Christian Association will hold a meeting in the Union to which all Tech men are invited. The association has formulated a scheme to put itself on a permanent foundation,—which will make it a true Christian Association among the students of Technology.

The meeting today is to ratify the adopted constitution and to explain its purposes. It will be an explanation of the purposes of the T. C. A.

The Advisory Board of seven men, five of whom are alumni, has arranged a formal membership, the mysteries of which are to be disclosed at the meeting.

Walter B. Snow 1882 will be present and will speak on "The T. C. A. from the Graduate's Standpoint." Professor Dwight Porter will give his view of the situation from the standpoint of the faculty. John Ahlers 1910 will then explain the new plan for membership. The talks will be limited to ten minutes in order that every student at the Institute can afford the time to attend.

Before the important business of organization there will be the weekly dinner. Especial attention has been given to the menu for tonight and the dinner is expected to be the best held this year.

Plates at twenty-five cents will be reserved at the table for those who register at the Cage. The dinner and the business meeting will be separate, however, so that those who have other arrangements for their meals may not miss the meeting.

The business meeting itself will start promptly at 6.45 and will adjourn before 7.30.

A large meeting is expected and has been prepared for. This is the first opportunity for many of those men who announced last fall their interest in the T. C. A. to prove their sincerity and to give their support. The countersign is "True Christian Association."

INSTITUTE COMM. MEETING

In Room A of the Union at five o'clock this afternoon, the Institute Committees will hold a conference with representatives of all student organizations with regard to the much-discussed question of a Financial Committee. The purpose and powers of such a committee, as proposed by the Institute Committee, have been printed in full in a previous issue of The Tech. In brief, the committee consist of three alumni proven competent in the business world. They would call for a monthly report from each organization and would have the power to audit the books at any time deemed necessary. The plan is discussed in the editorial column of this paper.

At the meeting this afternoon, each organization will be represented by two men,—the head and the financial manager. These men are expected to bring a great many ideas on financial matters that may greatly influence the future of Technology activities. Many suggested changes have been already proposed, and their validity will be tested this afternoon.

A man who keeps his identity a secret has offered \$100,000 to the City College of New York, to be used in putting the ground around the college into condition for all kinds of athletics.

TECH AND HARVARD GYM TEAMS TO MEET

Crimson Team Will Meet Insti- tute Gym Squad Friday

A telegram was received by Manager Jacoby of the Gym team, yesterday, from the management of the team representing the College of City of New York, stating that they would have to cancel the meet with Tech, Friday evening. The college authorities have refused to allow their team to compete any more this year.

Harvard will meet Tech, however, that evening. To compete against Harvard's team means considerable. The Crimson has been very successful this year in their gym meets, and as both Tech and Harvard have met Amherst, a comparison may be drawn. Amherst defeated Tech by a score 31-33, while Harvard defeated Amherst even more badly, both on their own floor, and at the Hemenway Gym.

The men fully realize what it means to meet the Harvard team, and are training hard, that they may be at their best Friday evening.

PROM PLANS

Last night the 1911 Junior Prom Committee decided to issue formal invitations. These invitations are being engraved and will ready in about ten days. Something original and attractive is promised. These will be issued as rapidly as the Prom checks are signed up and paid for.

Preliminary dance orders are now out and may be obtained at the Cage or from any member of the Prom Committee. The dances are mostly waltzes and two-steps with two duettes in between. The music for the dances has been decided on and a list of it will be published in the Tech the latter part of this week.

Once more the Committee wishes to make an appeal to the students to sign up for the Prom. In order to run a successful Prom it is necessary to sign up two hundred and twenty-five couples. At present less than one hundred have signed up and with the date of the Prom just six weeks from last night the Committee is holding sessions trying to think up some plan to stir the students up to greater activity.

Professor Musterberg, Director of the Harvard Psychological Laboratory, has been appointed exchange professor to the University of Berlin for the year 1910-1911. He will leave Cambridge during the summer and remain abroad during the entire academic year.

CALENDAR.

Wednesday, March 9.

4:00 Tech Show Principals, Union.
4:00 Gym Team practice, special.
5:00 Institute Committee meeting.
6:00 T. C. A. Dinner, Union.
8:15 Catholic Club, Union.

Thursday, March 10.

4:00 Tech Show Chorus, Union.
8:00 Architectural Society Smoker, Union.
8:00 A. S. M. E., 6 Lowell.

Friday, March 11.

1:00 1912 Class Meeting, H. H.
4:00 Tech Show Chorus, Union.
8:00 Union Entertainment, Mr. Hustedes on "Railroad Organization."
8:00 Gym Meet with Harvard at Tech Gym.

Saturday, March 12.

3:00 Hare and Hounds Run.
8:00 Columbia University Relay Carnival at Philadelphia.

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BOSTON, MASS., MARCH 9, 1910.

Tonight at five, the business heads of all the Institute activities meet to discuss the question of a finance commission. The purpose of such a commission is to provide some means for remedying the insecure financial basis the activities are very prone to run upon.

The main objections to the scheme are that it may mean that the control of the activities will get out of the hands of the students and get into the hands of the graduates or other members of the controlling committee, and that it will remove some of the benefits of activity work by taking a good deal of the responsibility off the shoulders of the undergraduates. The benefits to be derived from the work of such a committee are that it will prevent the serious personal losses of the participants in the activities, which has been the rule for many a year, that it will give the aid of the advice of men brought up in the professional world, and that it will enable every one of the activities to get better rates from business houses owing to the fact that debts of previous years have been paid up and because the estimates can be kept on file by the Committee.

The only question that is really a vital one is that of authority. Is it advisable to give away your rights to those who may not realize your standpoint? It is, as long as there is some chance to make those who are given the authority to realize that they rule only by the consent of the governed. The way to do this is to have periodic appointments by those directly concerned.

This appointing would therefore be best done by a group composed exactly as will be the one to meet this afternoon. They can draw up a plan that will give the Committee something definite to do and which will leave the ultimate power in their hands.

This is the problem that is before those representatives this afternoon, and it is to them that the whole Institute looks to determine something definite that will better the name of the Institute and its activities in the business district of Boston. It may take time, even many meetings, but the matter should be once and for all thoroughly thrashed out before it is allowed "to sink or swim."

Today marks the final step to establish the Technology Christian Association upon a firm permanent basis. This year, an Advisory Committee of seven men, five of whom are alumni, has been formed, a Graduate Secretary has been secured, committees have been formed and are hard at work, a constitution and bylaws have been proposed and tonight these measures will be ratified by the student body and a definite membership formed. There are no dues whatsoever connected with the membership and no student at the Institute can afford not to join. The aim of the association is to be a strong Christian inspiration toward the making of a better Technology life and dispel your illusion that

the T. C. A. is a mere "milk and water" affair.

Is the class of 1912 alive?

Out of 215, less than fifty have had the gumption to get a ballot and put down their choice of twenty-five for those very important positions on Technical Electoral Committee.

The polls close this afternoon at four. If the class is not dead it is necessary for quite a few to spare a few of their precious minutes and get their ballots in by that time.

Wake up!

GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE MORNING.

WEATHER REPORT.

Washington, D. C., Mar. 9.—Forecast for Boston and Vicinity, Fair Wednesday, with moderate winds.

Chicago, Mar. 9.—A great strike has been decreed by the ballots of the union and non-union men on fifty railroads running out of Chicago. The official count of the vote recently taken was announced yesterday afternoon. It shows that 88 per cent. of the union men and 89 per cent. of the non-union men have voted to go out. The railroads affected extend from this city throughout the West, northwest and northeast. If a compromise is not brought about the labor war which will follow will be one of the most disastrous the industrial history of the country has ever known.

Charlestown, Mar. 9.—Four patrolmen from the City Square police station, Officers Wadleigh, Johnson, Chauncey and McAllister, formed a human ladder and gained entrance to a burning three-story wooden building at 36 Ferrin St., Charlestown, yesterday, and rescued nine occupants from the flames which swept the tenement.

Cambridge, Mar. 9.—A handsome new shell, 61 feet in length, American type, was delivered to the Harvard oarsmen yesterday. It is the gift of Mrs. Robert Bacon and it was built in Putney, England, by George Sims & Sons, the famous boat builders. All seats are directly over the keel instead of being alternately to port and starboard as in the English boats.

Boston, Mar. 9.—After a heart-to-heart talk with United States Dist. Atty. French, which lasted over four hours, George W. Coleman yesterday had the satisfaction of knowing that at least one other person knows the full story of his downfall.

All of the escapades which have been characterized by the lavish expenditure of money not his own, the many stock speculations and the fleecing of the young defaulter, by an unscrupulous gang of crooks, now form a part of the evidence upon which the federal grand jury will act at its present sitting.

The confession of the defaulter was voluntary and, although the federal officials will not say to what extent other persons were implicated, it is known that information was given by Coleman which will lead to the throwing out of a dragnet which will result in further sensational disclosures.

Wellesley Collegias will no longer be permitted to take long walks in the evening. The student governing body, an organization entirely free from faculty control, has issued a "curfew" order requiring undergraduates to be within the college grounds at half-past seven in winter and at eight o'clock on summer evenings.

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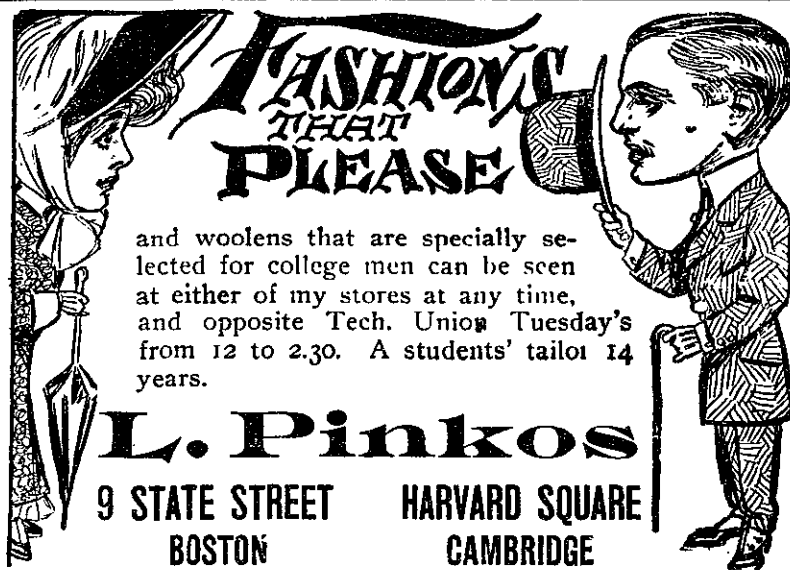
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The Yale University orchestra has arranged for two concerts: March 18, The Yale Club, New York City; April 15, Casino, Stamford.

PENNA. CLUB

On Thursday, March 17, the Penna Club will hold a dinner at the Union. Dr. Sharp of Brookline, a member of the Peary Arctic Expedition of 1891 will give an illustrated talk on the trip. All men from Penna. are expected to attend.

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Prof. Lightner Witmer of the department of psychology at the University of Pennsylvania has, according to all accounts, invented the phrymograph, an apparatus designed to make two people of different sex fall in love. The professor, in an interview with a Pennsylvanian reporter, confirmed the accounts.

The domestic science department at Washington University will hereafter supply means for vegetarian meals for use in dormitories.

Considerable progress has been made on the "Pennsylvania I," the new machine of the Aero Club. A first-class engine has been secured which will be presented to the members, to be paid for when convenient. It is practically assured that during the summer in Philadelphia under the auspices of the Aero Club of the State of Pennsylvania, one day will be set aside for an inter-collegiate meet. This machine will represent the University on that occasion.

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Exercises in this subject will be held hereafter from 12 to 1 instead of from 11 to 12, on Thursday; otherwise as heretofore.

FRENCH III A.

The section in this subject will recite hereafter to Mr. Erhardt, in Room 29 Lowell. Otherwise as heretofore.

1912.

Ballots for Electoral Committee elections will be at the Cag Satur-Sophomore Cross-country candidates report at Gym, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, at 5 P. M., beginning Saturday, March 5.

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The following new members were admitted to the Society: R. B. Brownlee 1912, C. B. Rowley 1912, G. E. Leavitt, Jr., 1912, R. Woodward, Jr., 1912, A. Kenrick 1912, H. S. Waite 1911 and A. H. Kaufman 1911. It was announced at the meeting that a meeting of engineers in Boston would take place Friday, March 11 8 P. M., in Room 6, Lowell. This is conducted by the A. S. M. E. with the co-operation of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. The paper for discussion will be "The Training of Men—a necessary Part of a Modern Factory System," by M. W. Alexander of Lynn, Mass.

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